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API's 1956-57 Financial Dilemma

AUBURN was "short-changed" when it received its first check from the State of Alabama for the October-December quarter of 1956-57. Accompanying the payment was a note from the state budget officer. He estimated that Auburn's funds from the state of Alabama for the year will be reduced a total of 8 per cent—or about \$402,000.

This cut, in addition to a \$205,000 reduction in appropriations by the last special session of the Alabama Legislature, places Auburn in a critical situation. The college's plight is doubly serious in view of the fact that Auburn's 1956-57 enrollment is considerably more than was anticipated in estimating this year's needs.

At the November meeting of the Board of Trustees, API President Ralph B. Draughon reported on the manner in which the anticipated proration will affect the operation of the institution. He said every effort is being made to maintain faculty salaries at their present level.

"We are looking to the 1957 Legislature for help in restoring these critically needed funds," Dr. David Mullins, executive vice president of API, said. "We earnestly hope that the funds will be made available to meet the entire 1956-57 API budget and avoid proration for the year as a whole."

The API President's annual report to the Board of Trustees for 1955-56, which was presented in November, underscores Auburn's dilemma. The total report reveals Auburn made substantial progress during the past year, in spite of financial problems and mounting enrollments. Sections were written by deans and division heads.

The Alumnews reprints statements of President Draughon and Vice President David Mullins. Both point out the problems during the past year resulting from proration of funds early in 1955-56. (These were restored.) The reports also deal with current proration.

Auburn Again Faces Reduction In Funds

By Ralph B. Draughon, '22
API President

THE SPIRIT, the accomplishments, and the services of Auburn have been notable during the past year in the face of many obstacles. This report bears evidence of the great labors of the staff and faculty in a period of growing demands.

During the past year we have lived in considerable financial uncertainty. The first quarter installment (October-December) of appropriations was reduced from 25 per cent of the total to 17.90 per cent. The second quarter installment (January-March) was reduced to 23.75 per cent of the total. Then, in the third quarter (April-June), the total installment was received plus the arrears for the preceding two quarters (33.35 per cent). The fourth quarter installment (June-September) was paid in full.

Thus, we received the full amounts of our appropriations for the fiscal year, 1955-56, but half of the year had passed before full payment became a certainty.

As a result, at the beginning of the year when we needed the money most, we had to adjust to a sharp proration. During the first half of the year we received only 41.65 per cent of our appropriations.

In the second half of the year, which includes the Summer Quarter, we received 58.35 per cent of the amount.

This situation, coming at a critical time, seriously interfered with plans for the employment of badly needed personnel, purchases of equipment, and other developmental expenditures.

Proration for 1956-57

I AM very sorry to have to report that, as we begin the fiscal year, 1956-57, the

prospects of proration of appropriations for the entire year appear to have become a certainty unless the State takes some emergency action to provide additional revenues.

We have been notified by the State Director of Finance and the State Budget Officer that we can expect a proration of eight per cent in our appropriations for the coming year.

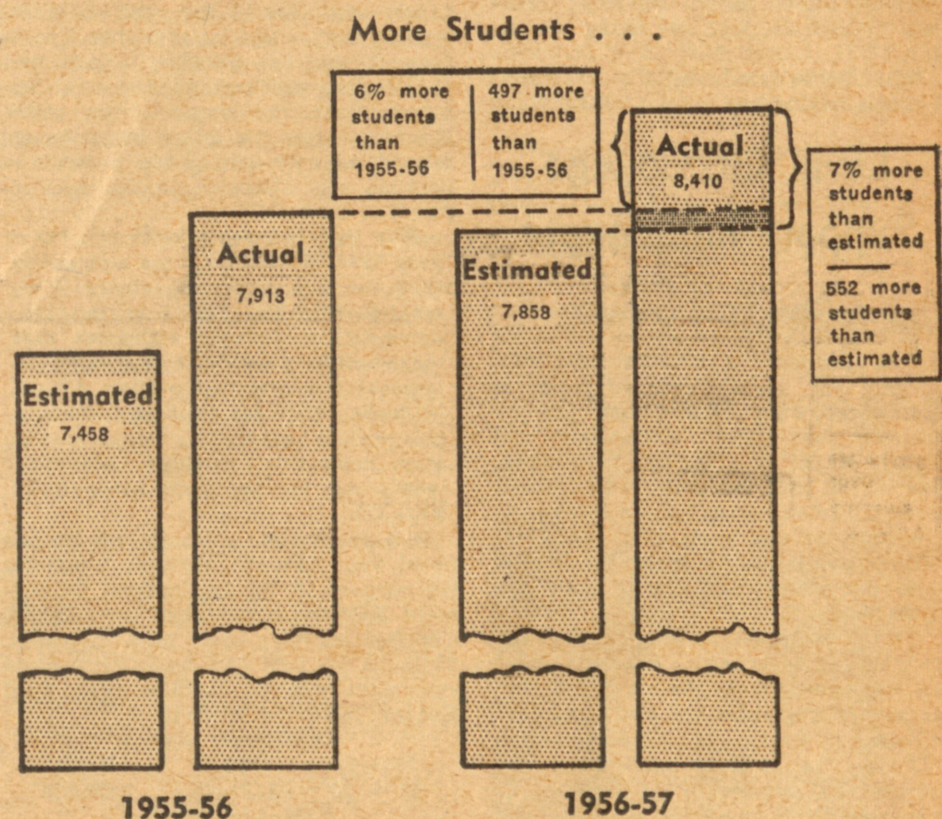
We had prepared for the Regular Sessions of the Alabama Legislature a request for material increases in the appropriations for this institution. That request was justified and made a part of a unified request for all the public colleges (to the 1955 Legislature). When the Governor prepared his own

budget for presentation to the Legislature, the amounts for all educational agencies of the State were slightly and proportionally reduced. The Legislature subsequently appropriated the amounts listed in the Governor's budget and added \$12,600 for the Experiment Stations and \$61,000 for the Extension Service.

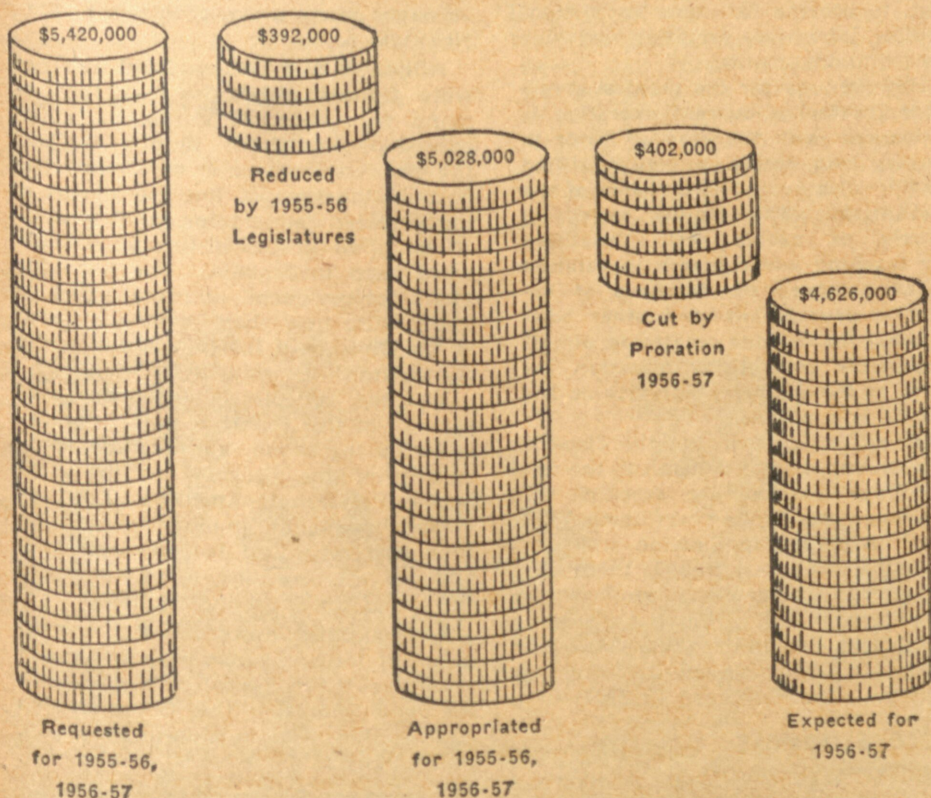
However, the subsequent failure of the Goodwyn Amendments eventually resulted in a Special Legislative Session in which Auburn's appropriations were materially reduced. Now we must face the current fiscal year with further sharp reductions in expected income.

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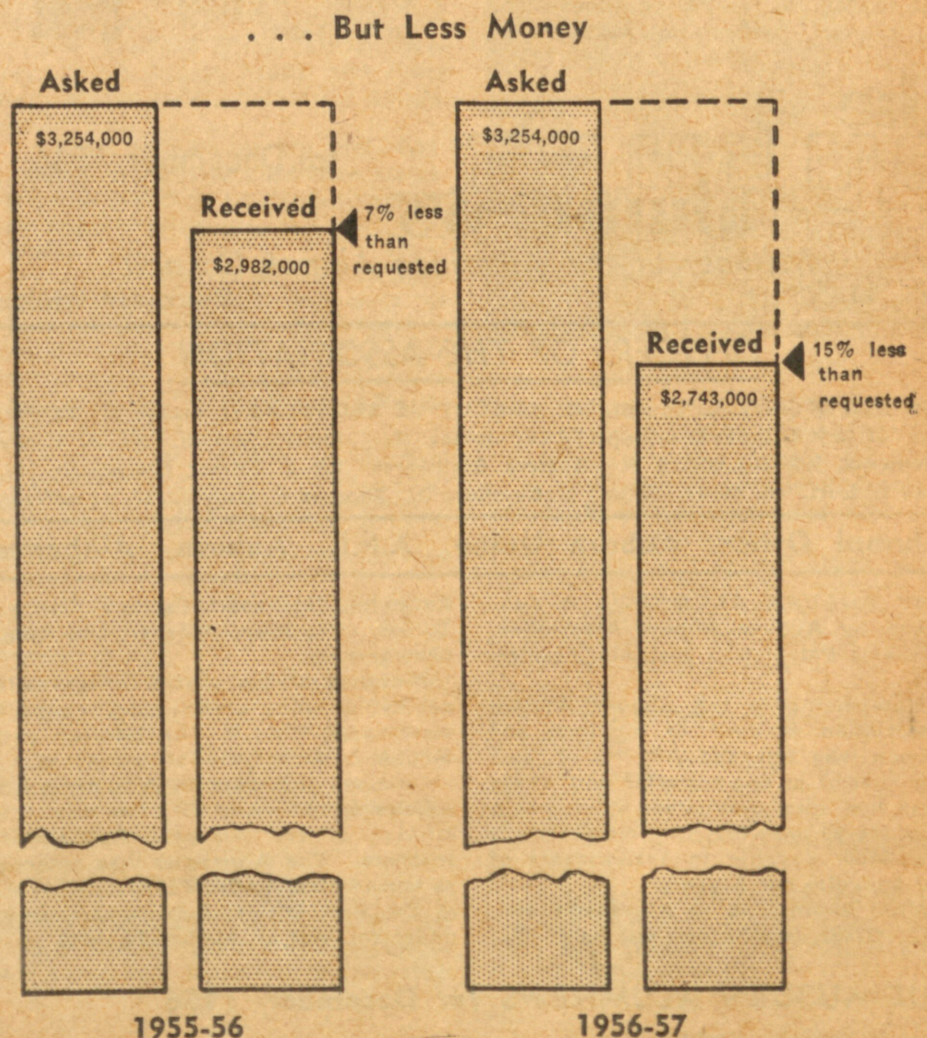
What Proration Means To Instruction



API's 1955-57 Financial Picture



IN THE FACE of increased enrollments and demands for expanded services, Alabama Polytechnic Institute has received two cuts in state revenues. The far left figure represents the \$5,420,000 API requested annually for operation during 1955-57. A 7 per cent reduction by the Alabama Legislature whittled Auburn's state funds to \$5,028,000 for each of the two years. If the present proration continues, Auburn's funds will be cut another 8 per cent to \$4,626,000, (far right figure) for 1956-57. This represents only 85 per cent of the requested appropriations.



Financial Dilemma

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Tremendous stresses

ALL OF this has transpired in a period of further enrollment increases, rise in costs of operation, and increasing shortages of personnel, equipment and funds for capital outlay. These factors on the one hand, and insufficient financial support on the other, make for tremendous stresses within the institution.

Some means of relief must be found if we are to continue present services at the present level of effectiveness.

Perhaps the saddest aspect of this problem is that we continue to attract wonderful young men and women from the high schools who are entitled to the best instruction possible.

We cannot maintain a highly qualified faculty and continue to do a first-rate job of teaching in our present circumstances. We cannot make the advances that are called for in every phase of higher education in these times.

Auburn begins its second century as the largest educational institution in Alabama, instructing more resident students, directly serving more people, materially contributing more to the development of the economy of our state than any other educational institution.

It was not always thus, and Auburn has reached this stage in her history despite many bitter obstacles and, always, a chronic shortage of funds. She has grown from meager beginnings into a strong and vibrant and tremendously important university, and I have faith in her great potentialities for the future.

Over a century of labor and hardship, Auburn has developed the character, the courage, and the ingenuity to continue its great mission of service to the people of our State. Once, long ago, President Tichenor stated to this Board of Trustees, "I have faith in our rising institution."

What better words could be uttered as Auburn begins her second century?

Level Of College Support Inadequate

By David W. Mullins
Executive Vice President

THE PRESSURES, problems, and needs of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute indicate the increasing confidence in and the growing reliance upon the institution by those individuals and groups whom it is designed to serve. One cannot read the division and school reports without a realization of the inadequacy of the staff and other resources available to meet the legitimate demands being placed upon the institution.

In the main, any failure to meet in full these opportunities and responsibilities results from the lack of funds to secure the necessary staff and facilities.

During the 1955-56 year there was considerable increase in the funds available from State and Federal sources for the support of the institution. However, the rapidly increasing enrollment and the growing demands for research and

service largely offset these increases so that the level of support is still far from adequate when measured by any reasonable standard.

Effective July 1, 1955, substantial increases in Federal funds were made available for the support of the Agricultural Experiment Station and the Agricultural Extension Service.

By action of the 1955 regular session of the Alabama Legislature, rather significant annual increases in appropriations for current operation were made for the support of all divisions. However, the full realization of these increases in State funds was contingent upon approval by vote of the people of the Goodwyn Income Tax plan. Since this tax measure was not approved, the Alabama Legislature in special session in February, 1956, reduced appropriations to education in the State in the amount of approximately \$3,000,000, reducing appropriations to this institution by \$205,000.

Mainly for teachers

INCREASES requested in State funds of the Alabama Legislature had been mainly for the following purposes:

1. Improving salaries of faculty and staff to bring them more nearly in line with those of other neighboring institutions;

2. Employing additional staff to care for a rapidly increasing enrollment and an expanding program of research and extension;

3. Providing badly needed laboratory and instructional supplies, equipment and other items of maintenance.

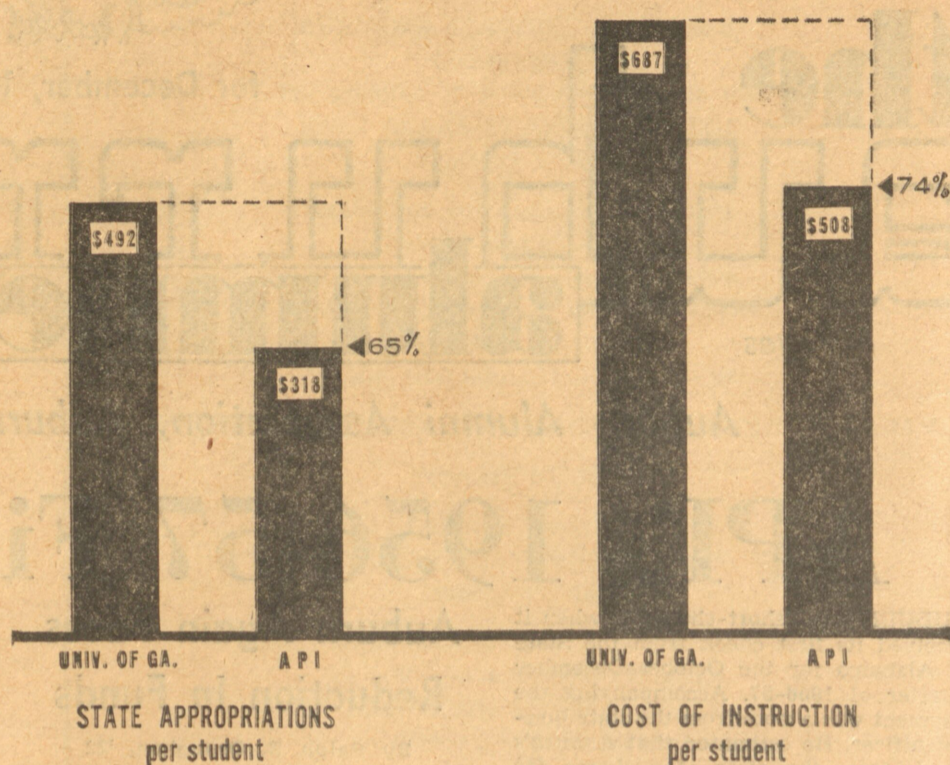
Although the amount realized was much less than requested and far less than needed, the full amount originally requested for salary improvement was so allocated. There was much uncertainty until late in the year as to the amount that would be available. Therefore, it was not possible to add new staff in the numbers needed or anticipated when the request was made. However, after the salary improvement was made, as much of the increase as possible was allocated to the employment of new staff.

The financial outlook for the fiscal year 1956-57 appears more distressing than for the year just closed. This results from the fact that the Department of Finance estimates that there will be a deficit of approximately eight and one-half million dollars in State funds for education. Should this deficit occur, the reduction to this institution through proration would be in the neighborhood of \$400,000.

It is gratifying to report that for the fiscal year 1956-57, Federal funds for the support of the Agricultural Experiment Station and Agricultural Extension Service have again been increased. Thus, in the past two years these divisions have received a total increase from Federal funds as follows:

Experiment Station		
1955-56	1956-57	Total
\$140,000	\$128,000	\$268,000
Extension Service		
1955-56	1956-57	Total
\$183,500	\$120,500	\$304,000
Grand Total		\$572,000

Comparison: Cost per Student at Univ. of Ga. and API



AUBURN RECEIVES \$274 per student less in state appropriations than the University of Georgia, according to a recent study made by Dr. David Mullins, API executive vice president. Although Auburn devotes a higher percentage of her funds to instruction than the University of Georgia does, the Alabama school's funds amount to only \$508 per student. Georgia spends \$687 per student.

API

These funds were needed and are enabling these two divisions to make significant improvements in their services.

No corresponding increases have been forthcoming for the division of instruction.

API, Georgia compared

SOME indication of the critical financial situation may be seen by comparing the State appropriation per student of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute with that of the University of Georgia. The University of Georgia receives an appropriation of \$492 per student as compared with an appropriation of \$318 per student at this institution.

To give the Alabama Polytechnic Institute the same level of State support per student enrolled as the University of Georgia would require an annual increase in State appropriations of more than \$1,600,000.

Although a higher percentage of funds available go into salaries at this institution than at the University of Georgia, this lag in State support is reflected in the salary levels of the two institutions. Whereas the average salary for a full professor at the University of Georgia is \$6,811 on a nine month's basis and the average full professor at Georgia Tech receives \$6,933, the corresponding average salary for professors at API is \$6,183. Similar disparities obtain in other ranks and personnel classification.

Greatest need

THERE IS great need for additional funds to provide for more instructional supplies, laboratory facilities, and other items of maintenance.

However, by far the greatest single need insofar as current operation is concerned is in the area of funds to employ and retain a well-qualified staff in all schools and divisions of the institution. The rapidly dwindling supply of people well-qualified for teaching and research in relation to the stepped up demands of industry, government, and other educational institutions creates an almost impossible competitive situation insofar as the Alabama Polytechnic Institute is concerned.

All indications are that the disparity between supply and demand in the field of college teaching and research will become greater in the years immediately ahead. A recent nationwide study indicated that whereas in 1955 there were 196,000 faculty members employed by the colleges of the nation, by 1970 there would be a demand for 495,000 or approximately two and one-half times as many as were employed in 1955.

More students

THE FACT that enrollment has increased in the past two years faster than was anticipated has tended to compound the financial problems of the Division of Instruction. Between the Fall Quarter of 1954 and the Fall Quarter of 1956, the enrollment increased from 7,058 to

8,410, an increase of almost 1,400 students or an average of approximately 700 students per year.

The total increase for these two years was almost 600 more than had been estimated when the legislative program was prepared for the biennium 1955-57. The enrollment would have been greater but for the fact that many students were unable to gain admission by reason of the limited housing facilities.

Although out-of-state fees were increased by one-third beginning with the Summer Quarter, 1956, it was necessary to cease admitting students from outside of the State as of July 1, 1956. This policy did not, however, apply to children of alumni and those in special regional programs such as Veterinary Medicine or the Navy Reserve Officers Training Program.

Engineering growth

THE PRESSURES of enrollment have not been distributed equally among the schools. Most of the increases has been in the School of Engineering. In the five years from 1951 through the fall of 1956, enrollment in Engineering has grown from 1,242 to 3,155, representing an increase of two and one-half times. In the past two years, enrollment in Engineering has increased from 2,202 students to 3,155 or a total of 953.

Because of the difficulty of securing staff in the field of Engineering, as well as the large amount of laboratory equipment and supplies required for instruction in this field, the rapid growth in enrollment has brought many grave problems to the institution.

Although more than 1,500 degrees were granted within the year, the demand for graduates in all fields far exceed the available supply. Just as the greatest increase in enrollment has been in the area of Engineering, so is the greatest demand for graduates.

The plant of the institution has always been inadequate. The need for plant improvement and expansion is more acute now than previously, both in the Division of Instruction and in the Agricultural Experiment Station.

To read reflectively the subsequent sections of this report is to be impressed with the scope, variety, and complexity of the program of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute. The accomplishments as summarized add up to a fine record of teaching, research and service, touching many facets of the life of the State and the South.

A thoughtful appraisal of the program in terms of the philosophy and mission of a land-grant college leads to the conclusion that the aspirations, as well as the program now in operation, fall directly into the land-grant pattern.

GRAPHS showing Auburn's present financial dilemma were especially prepared for The Auburn Alumnews by Joe Quinn, '51, staff artist for the API Education Interpretation Service.

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Col. David B. (Buster) Borden, '33

A 19-YEAR-OLD airman, with three AWOLs on his record, heard his court-martial sentence in sullen silence.

"One year at hard labor, total pay forfeitures, followed by a Bad Conduct Discharge."

Two years later this same airman, still in the Air Force, was rated "excellent." He had undergone a complete change of attitude, and was working with "above average" proficiency as a statistical machine operator. On his arm was the stripe of an airman first class.

This incident, varied by individual circumstances in cases of hundreds of convicted airmen, is the success story of the Air Force's unique Prisoner Retraining program.

Second chance

WHAT HAPPENED to this young airman has happened to a large number of other court-martialed men in the Air Force. Instead of confinement to the traditional stockade, restorable prisoners are given a "second chance" at the 3320th Retraining Center, located at Amarillo Air Force Base, Tex.

Without bars or barbed wire fences, then center operates its rehabilitation on a personalized basis. Individual and group guidance are combined with an active program of athletics, handicrafts and education in the retraining program.

The Retraining Group has processed more than 3,000 prisoners in the past four years. More than half of them have been successfully restored to active duty.

This new concept of penology—retraining of convicted prisoners for use-



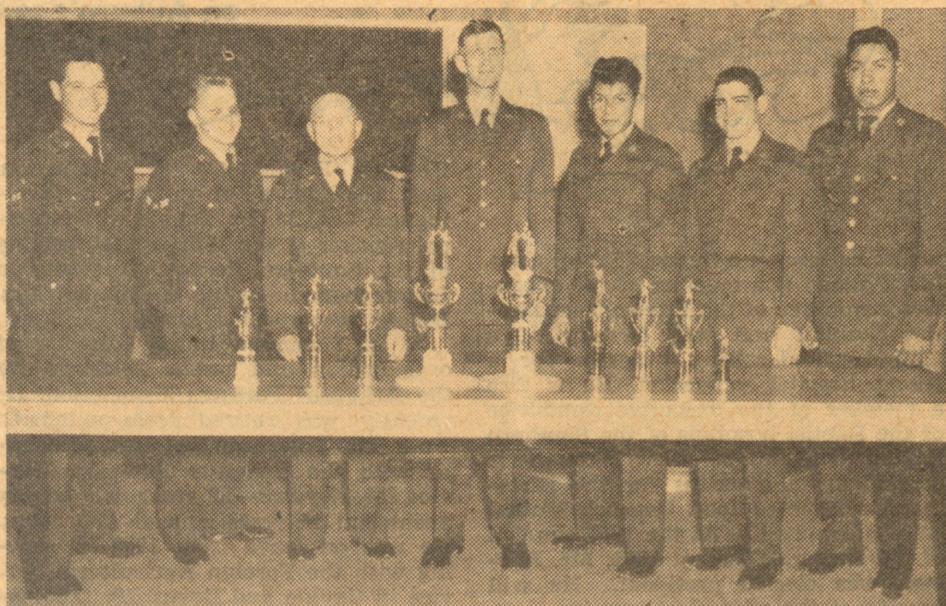
COL. DAVID B. BORDEN, JR., '33

ful lives—is no longer an experiment. It has paid off financially (retraining costs less than confinement in a stockade) as well as in the more important terms of rehabilitated human lives.

Staff of 150

COL. DAVID B. (Buster) Borden, Jr., '33, commands the Air Force's 3320th Retraining Center. He is assisted by a staff of 125 military and 25 civilians.

The tall, thin Alabamian is one of



BEHIND THE TROPHIES which its members have won, the 3320th Retraining Group's boxing team poses with Col. David B. Borden, Jr., '33, (center), commanding officer. This team entered the Amarillo, Tex., Golden Gloves Tournament and produced three champions and two finalists. "Our athletic and recreational activities play a great part in the overall Prisoner Retraining Program," Col. Borden said.

the first members of the staff to greet the prisoners upon their arrival at Amarillo. In interviews with small groups of new men, Col. Borden explains they are now "retrainees," not "prisoners."

"You are free to walk away from the center, if you want to. But, please, before you do, won't you give me a chance to talk you out of it?" the center's commander tells the airmen. "My door is always open."

The retrainees do not have to go to the colonel's office to see him, however. Again and again they will meet their robust, slightly greying commander—near their barracks, in front of classrooms, at sports events or the postoffice. He maintains a personal interest in each of the 250-odd retrainees.

His questions reveal a keen interest in how the retrainee center athletes are making out in Amarillo Air Force Base competition. The retrainee teams (which include staff members) have won a number of major championships in basketball, boxing, volleyball, touch-football and softball.

Need to grow up

BEFORE airmen are assigned for retraining, their commanding officers review court-martial proceedings. Candidates for retraining must be considered "physically, mentally and morally qualified to become useful members of the Air Force and be potentially restorable." They are further screened at Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Tex.

The retraining program does not attempt to work with the hardened criminal.

"Most of the retrainees are youngsters," Col. Borden explained. "And we can trace the reason for their troubles to parental delinquency. The majority come from broken homes, or their parents have either over-indulged them or neglected them. Their senses of values have not been developed."

"Our job is to help these boys grow up, to make them take hold of themselves. Sometimes they respond quickly. Other times it is slow going," he continued.

Four phases

RETRAINEES usually remain at Amarillo between four and eight months, depending on their own rate of readjustment to the four-phase program.

The center's program relies heavily on individual and group counseling. For this reason, the number of retrainees at the center at any one time remains about 250.

While orientation tests and interviews are being classified, the program emphasizes athletics and handicrafts along with academic and military education. In the career retraining phase, airmen receive either on-the-job training or formal schooling.

At the end of successful retraining, the restoration and clemency board recommends a return to active duty. Amarillo's commanding general has authority to remit the punitive discharges as well as the remainder of unserved sentences.

Auburn-Spirited friends

COL. BORDEN was born at Greensboro, Ala., 45 years ago. He acquired his nickname when the family nurse observed the unusually fat baby and said "Ain't he a buster?"

His desire to attend college was whetted by the influence of both parents and his teachers at Greensboro High. In addition were friends — James L. Lawson, then Hale County agent; Dr. Wallace Tidmore of the Auburn faculty, Coach Nurmi Nelson and Percy and Jeff Beard—all full of the Auburn spirit.

Buster, who stands six feet, two inches tall, attended the Cotton States High School Basketball Tournament at Auburn while still in Greensboro High.

At Auburn, Buster enrolled in agricultural science in 1929. Because of the required chemistry in the curriculum, he later changed to education. He was manager of the basketball team, member of the "A" Club and Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity.

Buster won a freshman track numeral. He considers Coach Wilbur Hutsell the "most distinguished gentleman I have even known—even when he is wearing a sweat shirt, cap and old blue slacks."

The present Air Force colonel spent four years in Field Artillery ROTC training at API.

Among Buster's favorite memories are his attempts to stretch a five-dollar monthly allowance beyond the first 15 days. ("I couldn't have gotten by without the help of the ROTC check and the facilities of Mr. Monk Wright at the bank," he says.)

School teacher

HE GRADUATED from Auburn in May, 1933, in Langdon Hall ceremonies, wearing a new suit, but minus a class ring.

("I couldn't have both," he explained.)

Mr. Borden taught at Southern Military Academy at Greensboro in 1933-34, before moving to Fayette as a school teacher. In 1937 he returned to Greensboro as clerk of Hale County Circuit Court. He held that position until he entered military service in July, 1941, as a first lieutenant.

He received a captaincy in the Regular Army in 1947. He now holds the rank of colonel in the U. S. Air Force.

Before his present assignment, Col. Borden was selected to attend American University in Washington, D. C. There he received a master of arts degree in political science in 1953 and became a member of Pi Sigma Alpha, national political science honor society.

In November, 1953, he was placed in command of the Air Force's "Operation Second Chance," the Amarillo Retraining Center. The center had been in operation 21 months when he reported.

Mrs. Borden is the former Sara Bradford of Hollywood, Ala. She is a graduate of Alabama College at Montevallo. They have two daughters, Sara Catherine, 13, and Mary Rennie, 3.

API

Samuel Hurst Named Architecture Dean

SAMUEL T. HURST, 36-year-old Atlanta architect, has been appointed dean of the API School of Architecture and the Arts. He will assume his new duties not later than Aug. 1, 1957.

President Ralph B. Draughon announced Mr. Hurst's appointment Dec. 8.

The new dean, a native Georgian, received his bachelor of science and bachelor of architecture degrees from Georgia Institute of Technology. He holds a master of architecture degree from Harvard University.

He is now a principal member in the architectural firm of Abreu and Roberson, Inc., in Atlanta. Mr. Hurst was in private architectural practice in California for a short time. He has been an instructor, associate professor and administrative assistant to the director of the School of Architecture at Georgia



SAMUEL T. HURST

Tech. He also served as an assistant professor at Tulane University.

During World War II, Lt. Hurst served in Naval photographic intelligence in the South Pacific and later won his wings as a Naval pilot.

Dean Hurst will succeed Frank Marion Orr, '24. Dean Orr resigned in August, 1956, but has continued to serve as acting dean of the School of Architecture. He is now head of the new department of building technology, which is a division of the School of Architecture.

Dean Hurst is "very enthusiastic" over coming to Auburn. "I have been out of teaching for two years and am very glad to be returning to this field," he said.

Dean Hurst is married to the former Melinda Meinecke of Santa Rosa, Calif. They have three children, Lian 9, Sam 6, and Melinda Ann 3.



COL. DAVID B. Borden, Jr., '33, (far right) greets Maj. Gen. Carl Brandt (in flying suit), commander of technical training for the Air Force, on the flight line at Amarillo Air Force Base. Brig. Gen. Grillis, Amarillo Base commander, and his staff are also shown.

Alumnalities

Brief sketches and news items
on Auburn's sons and
daughters



1904

James Henderson Childs, resident engineer for the Georgia State School Building Authority, has been transferred from Lakeland to Richland. Mr. Childs recently supervised construction of white and Negro school buildings in Lakeland and Pearson, Ga. He is now resident engineer for four Negro high schools which are being built at Richland, Preston, Lumpkin and Omaha at a total cost of more than one million dollars. His address is Box 25-A, Richland, Ga.

1906

Members of the Class of 1906 who attended the 50th anniversary reunion in Auburn at Homecoming, Nov. 9-10, were as follows:

H. M. Averyt, Paradise Farm, Albertville, Ala.

James R. Black, 2862 Sexton Drive, Decatur, Ga.

Charles T. Butler, New Hope, Ala.

William Leonard Lett, Selma, Ala.

William J. McBride, 702 Paxinosa Avenue, Easton, Penn.

D. M. Rencher, Opelika, Ala.

T. B. Richardson, Venice, Fla.

Royden Keith Stanley, 3254 32nd Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Fla.

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Died: Mell A. Frazer, widely known Mobile attorney and civic leader, after a heart attack at his home in Mobile Nov. 9. He was 69. He earned his bachelor's degree from API in 1906 and his master's degree the next year. Mr. Frazer received a law degree from the University of Alabama in 1913. He had also attended the University of Wisconsin and the University of Chicago. At one time he served as commandant of cadets at Wright's School in Mobile. Survivors include one son and one daughter.

1907

Died: Samuel Carter Weems, 72, retired oil company engineer, in Kaw City, Okla., Nov. 3. Mr. Weems was a native of Union Springs. At Auburn he was a pitcher on Mike Donahue's baseball teams of 1905, 1906 and 1907. W. A. Redd, Jr., '09, of Union Springs says of Mr. Weems:

"In my opinion, he was one of the all-time great college baseball pitchers. He won a very high percentage of the games he pitched for Auburn. If memory serves me right, the heart-breaker was the first game loss of a 1907 double-header at Auburn to Georgia Tech. This was a four hitter and went to Tech in 13 innings by a score of 3 to 1. Sam won the second game that day, 5-1."

After leaving Auburn, Mr. Weems pitched in the old Southern Baseball League for several years. He then began a career as an electrical engineer. He had been employed by Continental Oil, Ponca City, Okla., for 17 years when he retired in 1949. Mr. and Mrs. Weems moved to Kaw City upon his retirement. Survivors include Mrs. Weems and three brothers.

C. W. (Bill) Streit of Birmingham attended the Olympic Games in Melbourne, Australia, in November and December. He will attend a meeting of the National Football Hall of Fame in St. Louis, Mo., in January before returning to his home in Birmingham.

1909

George Barnard is a mechanical engineer in Birmingham. He lives at 702 Fairfax Drive, Homewood.

W. I. Pittman, retired insurance executive of Birmingham, was one of the first men nominated as a "Golden Citizen." The Golden Citizens, residents of Birmingham who have given their time and talents to the community for more than 50 years, were honor guests at a reception Nov. 15. Mr. Pittman has been a leader in the civic, religious and educational life of Birmingham for many years. He was president of the Jefferson County Board of Education five times during his 20 years as a board member. Mr. Pittman is active in Community Chest, aid to the blind and library programs. He was a charter member of the Birmingham Sunday School Council and has served as its president. He has been a deacon of the L. O. Dawson Memorial Baptist Church,

where he teaches a Sunday School class. Mr. Pittman is a member of the executive committee of the Birmingham Baptist Hospital and was director of a \$675,000 fund-raising program for a recent hospital expansion. He is also a member of the executive committee of the Baptist hospitals of the Southern Baptist Convention. Mr. Pittman is general agent emeritus for the Birmingham office of John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. At the 1955 reunion of the Auburn Class of 1909, Mr. Pittman was elected president. He will preside at the next class reunion.

1910

Died: Wiley A. Downing, 66, an engineer with the Alabama State Highway Department for 24 years, at his home in Brewton Nov. 27. He was graduated from Auburn with a B. S. degree in civil engineering. Survivors include his widow, Mrs. W. A. Downing, Brewton; two sons, W. A. Downing, Jr., Brewton, and Capt. John Lee Downing, '42, U. S. Air Force, Germany; two brothers and four sisters.

1911

Members of the Class of 1911 who attended the Homecoming reunion in Auburn Nov. 9 and 10 were as follows:

Riley G. Arnold, Auburn; Miles A. (Happy) Askew, Jackson, (Ala.); W. Corrie Bibb, Lake Bluff, Ill.; William S. Bonner, Baton Rouge, La.; M. M. Cardwell, Evergreen; Eugene L. Caton, Montgomery; T. M. Francis, Birmingham; Judge Robert K. Greene, Greensboro.

John S. Jervis, Omaha, Neb.; W. L. Lamar, Denton, N. C.; Haskell H. Martin, Greenville, S. C.; T. J. Miles, Tampa, Fla.; Dr. Benjamin H. Moon, Okeechobee, Fla.; Saxon P. Poyner, Dothan; Van F. Pruitt, New York City; Lewis A. Scarbrough, Sr., Columbus, Ga.; Lawson D. Stapleton, Americus, Ga.; Henry E. Thomas, Birmingham.

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Died: Mason Francis Jones, 67, in Clanton Nov. 27 after a lengthy illness. Mr. Jones was in the electrical, plumbing and heating contract business at Clanton until he retired in August. He was born in Chilton County, but spent his childhood in Auburn. He studied electrical and mechanical engineering at API. Mr. Jones was a member of the First Methodist Church of Clanton, the Blue Lodge, Chapter Commandery and Zamora Shrine of Birmingham. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Pauline Giddens Jones, Clanton; and one sister.

1914

Dr. Redding S. Sugg, dean of the API School of Veterinary Medicine, was awarded a life time membership in the Central Alabama Veterinary Medical Association for outstanding contributions and service to the veterinary profession and the Central Alabama Veterinary Medical Association at a meeting of the group in Montgomery Nov. 1. A bronze plaque of membership was presented to Dr. J. E. Greene, '33, head of small and large animal clinics at API, in the absence of Dean Sugg. Dr. Neil Gordon MacEachern, '43, president of the Central Alabama association, made the award.

1915

Davis A. Gammage is traffic operations engineer for Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co. in Atlanta headquarters. Before his appointment in 1954, Mr. Gammage was general traffic personnel supervisor at Atlanta. Mr. Gammage joined Southern Bell as a traffic clerk in Louisville, Ky., in 1916, after spending a year in graduate work at Auburn. During his 40-year career with Southern Bell, he has held various positions in the traffic department.

1916

Dr. Wyly Billing, vice president and member of the executive committee of

Hercules Powder Co. of Wilmington, Del., was honored at a dinner in Birmingham Oct. 25. Dr. Billing was principal speaker at the 12th annual meeting of the Southern Research Institute in Birmingham following the dinner. Mrs. Billing accompanied him.

J. M. Thomason is now director of organization and public relations for the Arkansas Farmers Association. He recently was retired from extension work. Mr. Thomason had been associated with the Arkansas Extension Service for 39 years—25 years as a county agent and 14 years as a district agent. He was on leave from 1950-52, serving with the Foreign Agricultural Service in Ceylon and Egypt. Mr. Thomason's offices are in North Little Rock.

1917

Howard M. Boyd, BS, '17, MS, '20, has returned to his home in Dewitt, N. Y., after making a tour of Europe during the summer.

John M. Ward has been reelected executive vice president of the Alabama State Chamber of Commerce. He has served in this position since 1937. Mr. Ward makes his home in Montgomery.

1918

Roland L. Adams, president of the Bank of York, was reelected president of the Alabama State Chamber of Commerce at a meeting in Birmingham in November. Mr. Adams has also been reelected director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta for a three-year term.

1920

W. W. French, Jr., president of Moore-Handley Hardware Co. of Birmingham, was elected president of the National Wholesale Hardware Association at the national convention in Atlantic City, N. J., this fall.

1921

Glenn G. Lamar, Birmingham agent for the Lincoln National Life Insurance Co. of Fort Wayne, Ind., opened his new office building in November. The new home of the Glenn G. Lamar Agency is 2201 Arlington Avenue, Birmingham 5, Alabama.

John Witty Lovin has recently been promoted to supervisor of chemistry and research in Ensley Chemical Laboratory of U. S. Steel. Mr. and Mrs. Lovin make their home in Birmingham.

1922

Died: Jacob Mohr, of Montgomery, after a long illness in Montgomery Oct. 16. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Evie Moses Mohr, and one daughter, Deborah Kay Mohr of Montgomery.

Edwin D. Cumming, vice president of Shell Oil Co., has been elected to a three-year term on the Houston (Tex.) Chamber of Commerce's board of directors. He was appointed to the board in 1956 to fill a vacancy.

Euclid T. Gullledge is inspector for the U. S. Food and Drug Administration of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare at Birmingham.

Charles S. Keller is executive manager of the Alabama Council of Retail Merchants. His headquarters are in Montgomery, but Mr. Keller makes his home in Abbeville.

The Rev. Franklin S. Moseley is minister of the Eutaw Methodist Church.

Col. John O. Taylor completed a 30-year military career in October. Col. Taylor retired at Fourth Army headquarters, Fort Sam Houston, Tex. He is making his home in Montgomery. Col. Taylor graduated from Auburn in electrical engineering. He entered the Army Air Corps in 1926. He holds the Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, French Legion of Honor and French Croix de Guerre with Palm. Col. and Mrs. Taylor have three married daughters.

1923

Albert S. Golemon, '23, and Walter T. Rolfe, former Auburn professor, have

George Sargent Takes Position In Libya

GEORGE T. SARGENT, '26, API Extension Service community improvement leader, has left the United States for Libya, where he is serving as a State Department advisor.

Mr. Sargent resigned on Oct. 31, after serving with the Extension Service for 10 years. He had directed intensive programs in all phases of farm, home and community improvements in hundreds of rural Alabama areas.

The farm leader assumed his duties Dec. 1 as chief advisor of community, agricultural, educational and health programs in the Benghazi, Libya, area. About 20 American specialists will work under him.

Mr. Sargent is a graduate of Mississippi State and earned his master's degree in rural education at Cornell. He was a special student at Auburn in agricultural education from 1922 to 1926. He taught vocational agriculture at Millport from 1922 to 1924. He served as district supervisor of vocational agriculture and became an API professor of agricultural education in 1938. Mr. Sargent was in war bond work during World War II.

Mrs. Sargent accompanied her husband on his overseas assignment.

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won additional honors for their architectural firm in Houston, Tex. Golemon and Rolfe is one of the leading architectural partnerships in Houston. It recently received an honor award for design of the new Bellaire (Tex.) High School building. The presentation was one of seven made at the annual awards dinner of the Houston Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. The firm of Golemon and Rolfe opened in 1946 in Houston. It now has branches in Beaumont and Orange, Tex.

1924

Mrs. Ruth Zuber Tatum teaches at Smith's Station School in Lee County.

1925

Mrs. Carolyn Betts Giles teaches school at Beulah in Lee County.

C. A. Pruitt, Macon county superintendent of education, is general chairman of the Tuskegee community Christmas decoration committee. Tuskegee High School students, church and civic group members will work on the Christmas tableaux to be erected on the Courthouse Square.

Walter L. Randolph was reelected



Randolph

president of the Alabama Farm Bureau Federation at the annual meeting in Biloxi, Miss., in November. He has been president of the Alabama Farm Bureau since 1940.

Mr. Randolph, a farmer in Fayette County, has his offices and headquarters in Montgomery. He is also a vice president of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Marcus M. Woodham, Geneva County agent, has been selected as the first honorary member of the Geneva Rotary Club. He was a charter member of the club in 1934 and served as president in 1937-38.

1926

John Tucker Harris, Lee County soil conservation supervisor, represented the East Alabama District at the Alabama Association of Soil Conservation District Supervisors in Montgomery in November. Mr. Harris lives on Route 1, Opelika.

Clyde C. Pearson has been elected president of the Montgomery Chamber

students. Mrs. Martin is the former Jane Foster, '45. They have a son and a daughter.

1944

Born: A son to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Stubbs of Route 1, Helena, Nov. 2. Douglas W. Ballard of Sandia Laboratory, Albuquerque, N. M., came to Auburn in November to interview seniors for positions at the research laboratory.

Barton H. Perry, Emory University photographer, has been tapped for honorary membership in Pi Delta Epsilon, national journalism society. Mr. Perry does photographic work for all Emory publications. He attended Auburn before entering the Air Force in 1942. After serving on the Montgomery

Advertiser-Journal staff, he returned to Auburn in 1950 as chief API photographer. Mr. Perry has been in Atlanta with Emory University since 1952.



1947

Born: A daughter, Sally, to Mr. and Mrs. George H. Blake, Jr., (Bruce Davis, '45) of Auburn Oct. 25. Mr. Blake is an assistant entomologist with the API Experiment Station.

Born: A daughter, Sue Ellen, to Dr. and Mrs. Leon Cunningham (Jean Swingle, '48) of Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 21.

Mrs. Eleanor Hanks Allgood (Mrs. James L. Allgood) teaches at Pepperell School. She lives in Auburn.

Dr. Annelida Baetz of San Antonio, Tex., appeared on a special telecast over KENS-TV during the national convention of the American Veterinary Medical Association in San Antonio in October. Dr. Baetz, the first woman to practice veterinary medicine in Texas, discussed "What the AVMA Is and What Veterinary Medicine Means to Mankind."

Thomas M. Williams is principal of Pepperell School.

1948

Born: A son, Robert Luther, to Mr. and Mrs. John C. Anthony, Jr., of Birmingham Nov. 27.

G. B. Brown, III, is employed in the operation and engineering department of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. in New York City. He previously served in the plant and engineering departments of Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co. at Birmingham and Mobile and the general engineering department in Atlanta. Mrs. Brown is the former Betty Watkins, '46. The Browns and their three children live in Florham Park, N. J.

Graham Hixon is head football coach at Gainesville (Ga.) High School. Mrs. Hixon is the former Martha E. Callahan.

Henry G. Jackson, Jr., is an architect in Birmingham. Mr. Jackson is a member of the American Institute of Architects.

Dr. William E. Lane, head professor of industrial management at Auburn, spoke at the December meeting of the Alabama Section of the American Society of Quality Control in Birmingham.

James Marvin Rowe, Jr., farmer of Route 2, Vincent, is owner-manager of a new industry in Vincent. It is the Alabama Plating Co., which treats nuts and bolts so they will not rust. The plant, which began operations Oct. 1, employs four full-time workers.

Mrs. Millie Smith York, MS, teaches school at Pepperell.

1949

Born: A daughter, Freddie Elizabeth, to Mr. and Mrs. McAdory Lipscomb (Elizabeth Denson, '50) of Auburn Nov. 19. Mr. Lipscomb is owner of Toomer's Drug Store in Auburn. They have two sons.

Born: A daughter, Lugenia, to the Rev. and Mrs. Luther Smith of Louisville, Ky., Nov. 28. The Rev. Mr. Smith was managing editor of The Auburn Alumnews from 1948-1950. He earned his master's degree in journalism from the University of Iowa. Before entering Auburn, he served as associate editor of "The Leatherneck," Marine Corps magazine. He is now at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville.

Married: Alice Rowena Kidd and Paul Tambellini in Birmingham Dec. 1. Following her graduation from Auburn, Mrs. Tambellini was an international flight stewardess with an air line fly-

Raeform Liles Exhibits Paintings In Finland

AN AUBURN ENGINEER whose paintings "hold the imagination spellbound" exhibited 30 of his works at the Finnish-American Society in Helsinki, Finland, this fall.

The paintings are the work of Raeform B. Liles, '49, who now lives in Paris. A native of Birmingham, he served as a Naval flier in World War II. At Auburn he studied art as an elective while earning his B. S. degree in electrical engineering.

He went to Paris in 1949, where he was a pupil of the late Fernand Leger. Mr. Liles still earns his living as an engineer, but works at the same time as an artist. He has had two one-man shows in France and has contributed paintings to group exhibitions in the United States.

Most of Mr. Liles' works shown in Finland are abstract compositions. Critics have noted "a mathematical precision and pure, decorative colors" in his work. His subjects vary from scenes at Orleans to variations on a logarithmic theme.

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ing from the United States to Venezuela and Puerto Rico. Mr. Tambellini is a graduate of the Lucca, Italy, Technical College, and holds a master's degree from Syracuse University. He is now employed by an American manufacturing firm in Paris, France, where Mr. and Mrs. Tambellini are making their home.

Robert B. (Bob) Ingram, Capitol Hill reporter for the Montgomery Advertiser, was guest speaker at a meeting of the Hope Hull Woman's Club in November. He discussed current affairs in Alabama.

Rayford L. Jones is president of the Auburn Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Francis J. Moseley is employed by the Mobile District Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army, at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. He makes his home in Destin.

Capt. Robert W. Sheehy has been awarded a certificate of achievement



Sheehy

for his work as veterinary and assistant preventive medicine officer at Fort Gordon, Ga., during the past two years. Maj. Gen. P. E. Gallagher, post commander, presented the certificate in a special ceremony prior to Capt. Sheehy's recent transfer to Fort McArthur, Calif. Capt. Sheehy was cited for "exceptional meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding duty." He was a Marine Corps veteran of World War II. Before entering the Army Veterinary Corps, in 1950, Dr. Sheehy served as an instructor in the API School of Veterinary Medicine.

Katrina Yielding teaches at Beulah School in Lee County.

1950

Born: A daughter, Jo Karen, to Mr. and Mrs. Howard M. Anderson of Auburn Nov. 14. Mr. Anderson joined the API faculty in the textile technology department this fall. He was formerly employed in Texas.

Born: A daughter, Beth Allison, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Gilmer Blackburn (Phyllis Birdsong, '51) of Decatur Nov. 22. Mr. Blackburn is a tax attorney in Decatur. The Blackburns have another daughter, Gay.

Born: A daughter, Judith Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. James A. Bohannon (Ann Snead, '47) of Montgomery Oct. 27.

Born: A daughter, Mary Jane, to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Young Lamar of Tuskegee Nov. 15.

Born: A son, Bradley Scott, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Sego of Birmingham Nov. 5.

Born: A son, Richard Ashley, to Mr. and Mrs. Amos J. Wright, Jr., (Carolyn Shores, '52) in Huntsville Oct. 4.

Coker Barton is football coach at B. B. Comer High School in Sylacauga.

Clifford Grubbs is backfield football coach at Corner High School in Warrior.

James F. Hamilton of Baton Rouge, La., visited Auburn in late October to interview API students about employment with Ethyl Corp.

Joseph R. Jones is new cotton ginning specialist for the Texas Extension Serv-

ice. He was appointed assistant Extension Agricultural Engineer for cotton ginning in the Texas A. and M. College System in October. Mr. Jones, a native of Lee County, graduated from Auburn in agricultural engineering. He is a veteran of the Korean campaign. Mr. Jones has taught veterans vocational agriculture and has been employed by Potash Rock Co. of America, Standard Oil Co. and Southern Harvester Co. Mr. and Mrs. Jones and their daughter have moved to College Station, Tex.

H. W. Tillery came to the API campus in November to interview students for employment with Sears, Roebuck and Co. He is employed by Sears in Decatur, Ga.

1951

Born: A daughter, Frances Elizabeth, Jr. to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie E. Baker of Auburn Nov. 12. Mr. Baker is a chemist with the Alabama State Department of Toxicology at Auburn. Mr. Baker has recently been appointed to the national publicity and public relations committee of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Born: A son, Mark Justin, to Mr. and Mrs. E. H. (Ham) Simmons Nov. 17. Mr. and Mrs. Simmons are making their home in Rome, Ga., where he is employed as a specialist, propositions, load center sales, with the General Electric Medium Transformer Department.

Married: Jane Ann Boran and William Stokes Glover in Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 8. Mr. Glover is serving in the U. S. Navy at San Francisco, Calif. Mrs. Glover was formerly a stewardess with United Airlines at San Francisco.

Married: Mrs. Gail Smith Whatley of Auburn and Cleo Hawkins Moreman, Jr., of Waverly in Columbus, Miss., Nov. 17. They are making their home in Auburn.

(Mr.) Joyce B. Ballard is employed by Liberty National Life Insurance Co. at Winfield.

Reuben E. Cofer, PN3, is a clerk in Naval Operations, LP-1, at Norfolk, Va.

J. P. Galloway came to the Auburn campus in November to recruit students for employment with Sears, Roebuck and Co. Mr. Galloway is employed by Sears in Decatur, Ga.

William S. Glover is serving aboard the USS George A. Johnson (DE-583) in the Pacific. His address is care of Fleet Postoffice, San Francisco, Calif.

1952

Born: A son, Craig David, to Mr. and Mrs. James Milton Jones of West Point, Ga., in Opelika Nov. 20.

Born: A son, Joel Wayne, to Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Martin of Opelika Oct. 30.

Married: Adrienne Olivia Teague and Ernest Fletcher Allen in Birmingham Dec. 1.

Married: Jean Claire Jones and Carl Franklin Bailey in Hattiesburg, Miss., Dec. 15. They will live in Leesville, La., where Mr. Bailey is employed.

Dorothy Barnes teaches school at Smith's Station.

George S. Barron, Jr., is employed by General Shoe Corp. at Cowan, Tenn.

James H. Bridewell, ET2, is serving aboard the USS Salem (CA-139) in the

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Horticulture Alumni Organize API Club

ORNAMENTAL HORTICULTURE graduates organized an alumni club during Homecoming weekend. Troy Keeble, '54, manager of the horticulture greenhouses at Auburn, was elected president.

Sixty-five alumni and students attended organizational meetings held at Saugahatchee Country Club Friday night, the greenhouses Saturday morning and the home of Professor Henry P. Orr, '42, Saturday night.

The club will coordinate relations between ornamental horticulture graduates and Auburn and promote growth of the industry in the Southeast. Since the ornamental horticulture curriculum was started at Auburn in 1935, about 90 majors have been graduated. About 40 students are majoring in the field during the current year.

Holly Mitchell, '48, Auburn, was named vice president and Mrs. Dorothy Dean Bishop, '50 (Mrs. Ralph Bishop), Alexander City, was elected secretary-treasurer. Members of the constitution committee are Bill Barton, 48, Tuscaloosa; Lawton Grantham, '49, Columbus, Ga.; and Heflin Sanders, 50, Montgomery. Professor Orr is advisor.

Atlantic. His address is care of Fleet Postoffice, New York, N. Y.

Henry King Clay is coach and teacher at Beauregard High School in Lee County. Mrs. Clay, (Marjorie Groth, '51), is secretary to Auburn Athletic Director Jeff Beard. Mr. and Mrs. Clay and their two children live in Auburn.

Miriam Faulk Dorsey teaches at Beulah School in Lee County.

Bobby Golden is football coach at Linden High School.

Charles C. King, Jr., returned to API Agricultural Experiment Station as assistant agronomist after two years of military service. Mr. King is working on variety testing of small grains, corn and grain sorghum. He earned his master's degree from Auburn in 1954.

1953

Married: Joy Townsend and Marvin Hester, Jr., of Montgomery in Birmingham Dec. 7.

Married: Diane Moore and Bruce Hain Hood in Sylacauga Dec. 8. Mrs. Hood has been director of Christian education at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Montgomery. Mr. and Mrs. Hood are living in Monroeville, where he is in business.

Married: Shirley Marie Jones of Maxwell Air Force Base and Indianapolis, Ind., and Lt. Gene Barnard Mayhue in Montgomery Dec. 8. Lt. Mayhue is serving in the U. S. Air Force.

John E. Blue has been discharged from active duty with the Air Force. He is employed with Cain-Blue and Combs in Anniston as a salesman.

Louie J. Chapman has joined the API Agricultural Experiment Station as an assistant in agronomy. He is working on a new cotton research project to determine factors limiting cotton yields in Alabama. Before beginning graduate study at Auburn in 1954, Mr. Chapman worked as field inspector for the Alabama Crop Improvement Association. He will continue his graduate work.

Donald E. Fadely is proprietor of Don Fadely's Drug Store in Birmingham.

J. T. Garrett is coach at Central High School in Phenix City.

1954

Born: A son, Richard Louis, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Howell of Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 2.

Born: A son, Charles Collier, to Lt. and Mrs. Charles A. (Chuck) Spencer (Doris Morrison, '54) of Fort Campbell, Ky., Oct. 12. Lt. Spencer is serving with the 101st Airborne Division's Aviation Combat Company at Fort Campbell.

Married: Vivian Ellis and James Bookout Cantley in Kingsport, Tenn., Oct. 31.

Married: Beverly Judy Brown and Harry C. Howell, Jr., in Bonifay, Fla., Nov. 17. Mr. and Mrs. Howell are making their home in Dothan.

Joyce Adkins Adams is a teacher at Smith's Station High School in Lee County.

Ens. Albert Lee Bendall is serving in the Navy at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. Mrs. Mary Jane Long Bendall, '54, and their daughter, Lynn, are with him in Honolulu.

Lt. John W. Booser is stationed in the Air Force at Maxwell Field, Montgomery.

T. Roy Bush, Jr., is assistant manager of T. Roy Bush Co., poultry processing firm in Birmingham. Mrs. Bush is the former Ruth Marshall, '54.

William Eugene Cook is assistant general manager of Commerce Manufacturing Co. of Commerce, Ga. The firm makes jeans, pants and overalls.

Edward W. Crabtree, Jr., has been promoted to corporal at Fort Belvoir, Va. Cpl. Crabtree is an instructor in the construction branch of the Engineer Center Regiment's Second Battalion Headquarters Company.

Lt. Hector W. Currie, III, is serving with the 3114th Ammunition Supply Squadron, APO 22, New York, N. Y.

Lt. Leon C. Dean Jr., is now stationed at Fort Polk, La. Lt. Dean is assistant communications officer of Combat Command B. Mrs. Peggy Davis Dean, '54, and Lt. Dean live in Leesville, La.

John E. Dillard, III, is employed by Rust Engineering Co. in Birmingham.

First Lt. Roger A. Everett has completed a Korean assignment with the medical detachment of the 969th Field Artillery Battalion. He plans to spend Christmas at his home in Mobile.

Lt. (j.g.) George Komp, III, has been released to inactive duty in the Navy after two years of active service. Before leaving the Navy, Lt. Komp served as assistant chief staff officer for administration at the Military Sea Transportation Service's Gulf Subarea head-

quarters in New Orleans. He is now associated with Heavy Hardware and Industrial Supplies Co. in Hattiesburg, Miss.

Pvt. Augustus Brice Moore is serving with 537th Military Police Company in Germany. His address is APO 252, New York, N. Y.

Carlos Ormachea Z. is chief designer in his own furniture manufacturing and architectural firm in La Paz, Bolivia. Mr. and Mrs. Ormachea have three children, Carlos 4, Jorge 2, and Ella 1.

Pfc. Ernie H. Petree is stationed at Fort Riley, Kan. He lives in Manhattan, Kan.

First Lt. James M. Pugh is stationed with the Army Signal Corps at Fort Huachuca, Arizona. Mrs. Martha Bates Pugh, '54, is with him at Fort Huachuca.

Lt. (j.g.) James R. Quinlivan, III, is serving aboard the U.S.S. Lexington in the Pacific.

Lt. Paul L. Rankin, Jr., is serving at Moore Air Force Base, Tex.

First Lt. L. Harmon Riley is serving with the Strategic Air Command, 310th A. and E. Squadron near London, England.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Segrest (Carol Wagoner, '56) and their son, "Tiger," live in Marietta, Ga. Mr. Segrest was recently separated from the Air Force. He is employed at Lockheed Aircraft's Marietta plant.

Mrs. Nancy Dupree Shope (Mrs. J. R. Shope) is a homemaker in Millington, Tenn.

B. Guy Smith, Jr., is enrolled at Yale Law School. He lives in Orange, Conn.

First Lt. Clifton C. Williams, Jr., is stationed at the Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, N. C.



C. C. Williams

George Komp

William Frederick (Bill) Williams has been appointed assistant county agent in Coosa county. He is a former employee of International Paper Co. Mr. Williams makes his home in Rockford.

Pvt. John C. Wright has been graduated from the Army's Southeastern Signal School at Fort Gordon, Ga. He is now assigned to the 585th Signal Co. at Fort Monmouth, N. J.

1955

Born: A daughter, Bonnie Joyce, to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney C. Bell of Auburn Nov. 15. Mr. Bell is a research assistant in agricultural economics at API. Mr. and Mrs. Bell have two other children, Betty and Ronnie.

Born: A daughter, Cynthia Neal, to Mr. and Mrs. Willis Wright Brassel, Jr., in Houston, Tex., June 2. Mr. Brassel, a seismologist for Shell Oil Co., was recently transferred from Houston to Lafayette, La.

Born: A daughter, Donna Marie, to Lt. and Mrs. Stephen James Buckley, III, of Aberdeen, Md., Nov. 2.

Born: A daughter, Carol Louise, to Lt. and Mrs. Claud B. Conn, Jr., (Diana Morgan) in Denver, Colo., Nov. 3. Lt. and Mrs. Conn live in Aurora, Colo.

Born: A son, James Farrow, to Mr. and Mrs. James G. Epperson (Barbara Tittle) of Montgomery Nov. 8.

Born: A son, Allen G., IV., to Lt. and Mrs. Allen G. Myers, III, (Miriam Magurie, '57) in June. Lt. Myers finished primary pilot training at Bartow Air Base, Fla., in September. He is now stationed at Vance Air Force Base, Enid, Okla., where he is taking basic training in B-25 multi-engines. Lt. Myers received a commission in the Regular Air Force in March, 1956.

Born: A son, Harold Wayne, Jr., to Lt. and Mrs. Harold W. Tucker at Fort Knox, Ky., Sept. 20. Lt. Tucker is stationed with the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment at Fort Knox. He will be transferred with the unit to Germany in March, 1957.

Married: Lora Barbara Etheridge, '56, of Sandersville, Ga., and Lt. John Stanley Barton of Birmingham Oct. 20. Lt. Barton is serving in the U. S. Air Force. At Auburn he was captain of the 1954 and 1955 cross country teams and the 1955 track team. He held the one-mile and two-mile championship of the SEC while a student.

Married: Lauretta A. Brown of Birmingham and Norman J. Dreher of

Birmingham Nov. 17.

Married: Martha Foss and Donald John Hallas in St. Petersburg, Fla., Nov. 23. They are making their home in St. Petersburg.

Married: Barbara Ann Freeze and Otis Edgar Kirby, Jr., of Decatur, in Birmingham Dec. 15. Mrs. Kirby teaches at Bessemer Junior High School. Mr. Kirby is a student at Birmingham-Southern College.

Married: Ann Ava Womack and John W. Mangham in Dunedin, Fla., Dec. 16. Mr. Mangham has been employed by Woodall and Taylor Texturcrete Co. of Clearwater, Fla. He will enter a school of electronics and electrical engineering in Tampa in January.

Married: Judith Estelle Barnette of Sprott and Greenville, and Clyde Newberry Webb in Suttle Nov. 17. Mr. and Mrs. Webb are living in Greenville, where he is employed as a forester. Mrs. Webb is a former assistant home demonstration agent in Butler County.

Mr. and Mrs. William M. Adair (Jacque Waller) live in Nashville, Tenn. He is a staff artist for the Nashville Banner. Mrs. Adair is employed by the Baptist Sunday School Board in the Training Union department. Their address is 4009 Albert Drive, Nashville, Tenn.

Dr. Abe G. Allen has built Reidland Veterinary Clinic at Reidland, Ky., a suburb of Paducah. He started his veterinary practice at Reidland early in 1956.

Lt. George M. Anderson is serving with the 3576th Pilot Training Squadron at Vance Air Force Base, Okla.

Pvt. Robert E. Bailey, Jr., is a radio operator in headquarters and service company of the 25th Infantry Division's 65th Engineer Battalion in Hawaii.

Charles Everett Bankston is a mechanical engineer with Birmingham Manufacturing Co. Mr. and Mrs. Bankston have a two-year-old daughter, Deborah Faye.

Ens. Hunter Bell is serving in the U. S. Navy at the Jacksonville, Fla., Air Station.

Lt. Stewart A. Bliss is with U. S. Air Force Security Service at San Antonio, Tex.

Pvt. Joe F. Borland is serving with the 97th Signal Battalion's Message Center Operation Company at Boeblingen, Germany.

Robert Nelson Brewer, has been transferred to Talladega County by the API Extension Service. He is former assistant county agent in Coosa County and holds the same position in Talladega County. Mrs. Martha J. Cummings Brewer, '56, and Mr. Brewer are making their home in Talladega.

John R. Seibold has been awarded the W. J. Kroll research fellowship in chemical engineering at Oregon State College, Corvallis, Ore., for 1956-57. He is on leave of absence from the Texas Oil Co. at Port Arthur, Tex.

Dr. Robert P. Shields joined the API department of pathology and parasitology this fall. Since his graduation, he had been employed by the meat inspection division of the U. S. Department of Agriculture in Nashville, Tenn.

Albert W. Shockley is an industrial relations student under Westinghouse Electric Corp's two-year training program. He is now temporarily located at Staunton, Va. Under the program, he

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U. S. Food, Drug Positions Available for Chemists

THE U. S. Food and Drug Administration has immediate employment opportunities for recent graduates in chemistry, according to Euclid T. Gullede, '22, inspector for the U. S. Food and Drug Administration at Birmingham.

Chemists who have had experience in the development of methods for the examination of foods and drugs are also needed by the federal agency. The Food and Drug Administration is a part of the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Positions are available in 16 field laboratories of the Administration and in the research divisions in Washington, D. C. The positions provide training in food and drug chemistry and sample opportunities for research in these fields.

Mr. Gullede said initial pay is good and opportunities for advancement are excellent.

Further information may be obtained and interviews may be arranged by contacting:

Euclid T. Gullede, Inspector
U. S. Food and Drug Administration
P. O. Box 1649
Birmingham, Alabama.



SANDRA KELLEY, Alabama's Maid of Cotton, knows how to work in a cotton field. Sandra was a sophomore in home economics at Auburn when she was selected Maid of Cotton this fall. She was named to the Homecoming Court and was chosen a Glomerata beauty before a crowded schedule prompted her to resign from college for the fall quarter. She will vie for the national cotton title in Memphis, Tenn., after Christmas. The tall blonde is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Kelley, '48, Huntsville.

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will obtain experience at a number of Westinghouse plants, including Elmira, N. Y., Meadville, Beaver and Pittsburgh, Penn. Mrs. Ida Gray Dansby Shockley, '54, former secretary for the Auburn Union Building, is traveling with Mr. Shockley.

1956

Born: A daughter, Debra Lynn, to Mr. and Mrs. David Cassady, Jr., of Opelika Oct. 31.

Born: A son, Michael Havis, to Lt. and Mrs. Charles H. Dawson (Nancy Coleman, '56) Sept. 2. Lt. and Mrs. Dawson live at Fort Knox, Ky., where he is stationed.

Lt. John L. Adams has been graduated from the finance officer basic course at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind. He is now stationed at Fort Benning, Ga. Lt. Adams entered the Army for a six-month tour of active duty under the Reserve Forces Act.

Joseph G. Anderson is a graduate student in engineering at Purdue University. He is continuing advanced Air Force ROTC training at the Indiana school. Recently he was promoted to cadet colonel.

Clifton Graves (Sparkey) Allen, Jr., of Montgomery is a second lieutenant in the U. S. Air Force.



Gerald Anderson

Sparkey Allen

Gerald Anderson teaches vocational agriculture at Carlowville High School. He lives in Minter.

Ens. Jack M. Armor has graduated from U. S. Naval Pre-Flight School at Pensacola, Fla., and is serving at Whiting Field Naval Auxiliary Air Station at Milton, Fla. He is taking primary flight training.

Ivan Lee Armstrong is a pharmacist with P and J Pharmacy in Albertville. He lives on Route 1, Albertville.

Billy Joe Arther is a forester with Rome Kraft Co. Mr. and Mrs. Arther live in Gadsden.

Madison Hopper Ashburn, Jr., is a design engineer with Cessna Aircraft Co. in Wichita, Kan. He is employed in air frame design. Mr. and Mrs. Ashburn and their daughter, Penny, live in Wichita.

Jimmy M. Bagwell has received a commission in the Army Reserves following completion of six weeks' Armor ROTC training at Fort Knox, Ky. Lt.

Bagwell began a two-year tour of active duty in October.

Mrs. Lena Shamblee Bailey is a teacher at Route 1, Sylacauga.

Terrell G. Bailey is a school teacher at Roopville, Ga.

Mrs. Marilyn Brown Ballenger lives in Pensacola, Fla. Her husband is William Don Ballenger, a December graduate.

Hugh Morgan Bandy, Jr., is a cost accountant with Tennessee Coal and Iron Division of U.S. Steel at Ensley. Mr. and Mrs. Bandy live in Fairfield.

Lt. Edwin J. Bannister has been graduated from the officers basic course at the Engineer School, Fort Belvoir, Va.

Paul W. Bannon is an aeronautical research intern with NACA at Langley Field, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Bannon (Nancy Lane Smith, '55) live in Hampton, Va.

Fletcher Barnes is a student at Westinghouse's Educational Center in East Pittsburgh, Penn. When he completes his training, he will be located in Atlanta. Mrs. Jackie Burgess Barnes, and their son, Jimmy, are with him in Pittsburgh.

Percy David Bartholomew, Jr., is an engineer with Carrier Corp. in Atlanta.

Thomas Keith Batson is chemical engineer with Shell Chemical Corp. at Houston, Tex.

John Donald Baxter is a forester for Hiwassee Land Co. at Scottsboro. Mr. and Mrs. Baxter have a three-year-old daughter, Molly Louise.

George V. Beasley is a junior engineer with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at Mobile. He is working under a two-year training program.

Donald Carlton Bell is a student at Auburn in aeronautical administration.

Carl Melvin Bennett is employed by American Telephone and Telegraph Co.'s long lines department in Cincinnati, Ohio. He is a second lieutenant in the Signal Corps Reserve.

Carolyn Bertram is a secretary for Alabama Power Co. at Montgomery. She is making her home in Prattville.

Martha Parris Borden is an elementary teacher at Mt. View School in Marietta, Ga. She lives in Smyrna, Ga.

Jerry Troy Boulter is assistant county agent for Baldwin County at Bay Minette.



Shirley Tuggle

L. R. Taunton

Lois Ray Taunton is a textile engineer in the technical department of Celanese Corporation of America's plant at Rome, Ga. Mr. Taunton is assistant advisor for Explorer Post 17 of the Boy Scouts at Rome. Mr. and Mrs. Taunton have a son, Keith Ray.

Shirley Ann Tuggle teaches at North Brownsville Elementary School in Pensacola, Fla.

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Dolson Plays at Olympics On Military Baseball Team

WHEN THE U. S. All-Star service baseball team took the field in the main Olympic Stadium in Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 1, an Auburn letterman manned second base.

He is Marine First Lt. Ben Dolson, Jr., '55.

This exhibition game between the American amateur all-stars and an Australian team marked the first time baseball has ever been played in the Olympics.

The 18-man U. S. military team was especially selected for the Olympics from Army, Navy, Marine and Air Force personnel in the Far East Command.

Before his selection on the all-stars, Lt. Dolson played second base for the Ninth Marine Regiment on Okinawa. He earned a berth on the Third Marine Division's All-Star team. Lt. Dolson is a machine gun platoon leader for H Company, Third Battalion, Ninth Marine Regiment.

Ben played short stop, third base and second base during his three years on the Auburn varsity. He was second baseman on the 1954 team which ranked second in the SEC.

Lt. Dolson is a resident of Englewood, N. J. He attended high school in St. Petersburg, Fla. He has been in the Marines since September, 1955.

SEC's top offensive team

Tigers Set 7-3 Record

By Buddy Chambers, '59
Assistant Sports Publicity Director
THE AUBURN Tigers wrote their 7-3 record on the 1956 scorebooks after closing the season with a convincing 34-7 win over Alabama's Crimson Tide.

The team took the Southeastern Conference's top honors in the offensive rushing department, averaging a total of 374.9 yards in 10 games. The Tigers ranked fifth in the SEC, winning four and losing three to conference opponents.

Brief resumes of the Tiger games since the November Alumnnews follow:

Auburn 20, Georgia 0

QUARTERBACK Howell Tubbs and End Jimmy (Big Red) Phillips got together on the first Tiger play from scrimmage to break the backs of the Georgia eleven with a touchdown pass play at Memorial Stadium in Columbus, Ga., Nov. 17.

The tremendous opening play was good for 70 yards. Again in the third period a Tubbs-to-Phillips toss connected for six yards and the final TD.

Auburn had scored a second time in the opening period when a Tubbs-to-Phillips pass had gained 12 to mid-field. Lefthalf Tommy Lorino dashed for 23 and Fullback Billy Atkins carried the ball over with fine runs of 9 and 17 yards.

Tubbs kicked the first two PATs, but missed the third.

Both teams were up to fever pitch for their 60th meeting, the South's oldest rivalry, and several fights broke out during the game. No one is sure who won the fights. But Auburn was never threatened in the football game as the Bulldogs failed to drive inside the Tiger 20.

Phillips was chosen the "Outstanding Player in the Game" as he caught three passes for 88 yards and played a fine game on defense. Other Tiger standouts included Righthalf Bobby Hoppe and Lorino with 76 and 74 yards rushing respectively, Guards Chuck Maxime and Ernest Danjean and Center Frank Reeves.

Auburn 13, FSU 7

NINE AUBURN Tiger seniors gunned their way Nov. 24 to their fourteenth

home victory during their college careers without a loss in Cliff Hare Stadium. A strong Florida State Seminole eleven almost ruined the record, as they battled all the way before losing out, 13-7, to Coach Ralph Jordan's crew.

The Tubbs-to-Phillips passing combination, which was hot against Georgia, was even better this Saturday. Six completions accounted for 128 yards and the first Auburn TD—a beautiful 67-yard pass play. Fullback Jim Walsh pushed over from the one-yard line in the third quarter to climax an 80-yard march.

Walsh's TD, his first this season, proved to be the winning six-pointer as Quarterback Swiantic threw to Fullback Holt for a fourth period score for the Seminoles.

Auburn 34, Alabama 7

ONE OF the strongest quarters ever played by an Auburn team against a major opponent—27 points in the second period—provided Coach Jordan's Tigers with enough margin to coast to a 34-7 victory over the Alabama Crimson Tide in Birmingham Dec. 1.

The scores came on drives of 54, 53, 12 and 38 yards. Captain Jerry Elliott finished his fine career in a big way as he caught passes for the first and fourth TDs, while Righthalf Billy Kit-chens and Quarterback Howell Tubbs were scoring in between.

Lefthalf Tommy Lorino took a pitch out and ran 15 yards around end for the winner's final tally in the third period. The 165-pound Bessemer flash gained 47 yards in nine tries to win the SEC rushing crown with 693 yards in 82 carries for an 8.44 average. Former SEC record of 8.13 was set by Alabama's Lowell Tew in 1945.

Righthalf Bobby Hoppe, however, was the biggest gainer of the day as he spent 112 yards in eight carries.

The whole Tiger ball club, especially the graduating seniors, played a superb contest.

Evidence that Auburn outplayed Alabama may be found in the statistics: 22 to 8 in first downs and 489 to 174 yards in total offense. The 489-yard total was the Tiger's top effort of the year; it allowed Auburn to win the SEC total offense crown going away.

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1956 AUBURN FOOTBALL SIGNEES

(As of Alumnnews Press Time)

Name	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown	High School
E N D S				
Lamar Echols	6-5	205	Atlanta, Ga.	Smith
Neil Henderson	6-3	191	Enterprise	Enterprise
Bobby Hodges	6-0	195	Scottsboro	Scottsboro
Lou Stanton	6-1	200	Columbus, Ga.	Columbus
T A C K L E S				
G. W. Clapp	6-0	200	Hanceville	Hanceville
Wayne Collins	6-3	210	Thomaston, Ga.	R. E. Lee
Wayne Frazier	6-2	200	Evergreen	Evergreen
Jimmy King	6-3	235	Cullman	Cullman
Frank Myers	6-1	225	Montgomery	Lanier
Gordon Nix	6-1	195	Greenville	Greenville
Ken Rice	6-3	240	Bainbridge, Ga.	Bainbridge
Billy Wilson	6-3	260	Birmingham	Ensley
G U A R D S				
Jerry Gullledge	6-0	190	Mobile	McGill
Teddy Jenkins	6-0	190	Soddy, Tenn.	Soddy Daisy
Murray Mullinax	6-2	205	Birmingham	Ensley
Nolan Nakos	6-0	200	Birmingham	Phillips
Jimmy Philpott	6-0	205	Daisy, Tenn.	Soddy Daisy
Q U A R T E R B A C K S				
Don Fuell	6-3	197	Guntersville	Guntersville
Cary Senn	5-10	165	Auburn	Auburn
H A L F B A C K S				
Bill Baggett	5-10	180	Corner	Corner
Coley Cassity	6-2	180	Statesboro, Ga.	Statesboro
Bo Davis	5-10	175	Scottsboro	Scottsboro
Ray Gentles	5-11	175	Scottsboro	Scottsboro
Jimmy Morrow	5-11	170	Carrollton, Ga.	Carrollton
Richard Pate	5-9	155	Bessemer	Bessemer
Jimmy Pettus	5-8	170	Oxford	Oxford
Wayne Proffitt	5-11	175	Gadsden	Emma Samson
Jackie Spencer	5-11	165	Montgomery	R. E. Lee
Anthony Thomasino	5-11	180	Birmingham	Ensley
F U L L B A C K S				
Ed Dyas	6-0	180	Mobile	McGill

Bill BECK WITH auburn sports

December Miscellany

BEATING Alabama, signing high school football players, and opening a new basketball season by beating Rice highlighted the early stages of December for Auburn.

Defeating the Tide, 34-7, gave Coach Shug Jordan his third consecutive victory over Alabama. It was the biggest event of another successful season.

"Another successful season," has been the motto of Jordan and staff for some time now. Starting in 1953 and running through 1956, Auburn's football team has won 29 games, lost nine, and tied two. This four-year record span is 7-2-1, 7-3-0, 8-1-1, and 7-3-0.



Signing of high school football stars is an all-important job. The excellent record made by Coach Jordan and Auburn during the past four years has hinged on getting the better high school athletes.

This current recruiting period, starting on December 7, and still underway, found Auburn continuing its practice of the past five years by seeking the best athletes in the South. On paper, Auburn has scored again—nothing but the best. A roster of the new signees listing all boys who were committed by press time is carried in this month's Alumnnews.

Coach Joel Eaves' basketball team pulled possibly the greatest upset in Tiger cage history in Birmingham when they beat a (then) nationally ranked Rice Owl team, 88-68. At one point, the Tigers led by 39 points. This victory was highlighted by the tremendous rebounding of Soph Forward Rex Frederick, plus his 16 points; sharp-shooting by Soph Guard Jimmy Lee, who scored 20 points; high-scoring of Junior Center Bill McGriff, 19 points, and the general overall play of Terry Chandler, Henry Hart, Bobby Tucker and Henry Sturkie.

Auburn's offensive football machine, the most consistent in the SEC for the past four years, won the total offensive championship of the conference again, averaging 374.9 yards for the ten 1956 games. The total offensive and defensive averages and SEC final position of Auburn since 1951 (the year Jordan returned) are charted below:

	Offense	Finished	Defense	Finished
1951	296.2	7th	354.4	12th
1952	234.5	12th	322.3	12th
1953	339.8	1st	234.8	3rd
1954	349.1	2nd	204.9	2nd
1955	312.1	2nd	183.2	1st
1956	374.9	1st	208.3	3rd

Tiger Notes

THE ATLANTA JOURNAL sent ballots to all SEC teams to find out who the players at the 12 conference schools thought were the best eleven football players. The naming of three Auburn players to the first team came as no surprise to anyone except the two wire services. Both selected their teams without a Tiger on the first unit. The All-Players All-SEC listed Guard Ernest Danjean, End Jimmy Phillips, and Left-half Tommy Lorino.

Imagine the surprise Offensive Line Coach Shot Senn received when he returned from a Saturday night speaking engagement at Oxford, Ala., Dec. 8. He found that Coach Ralph Jordan has sent Assistant Coaches Dick McGowen and Joe Connally to the Senn house where they signed Cary Lamar Senn, Jr., to a football scholarship. The coaching staff had kept their plans to sign Cary a secret. Shot is about the happiest father of any future Tiger. Young Cary was a split-T quarterback for Auburn High School. A first string All-State, he accounted for 22 touchdowns this season, 11 running and 11 passing.

Lorino won the SEC rushing championship, 692 yards, and Phillips won the receiving crown, 23 receptions . . . The sharp-shooting little basketball guard on Bill Lynn's freshman team is Bayward McManus, younger brother of Murphy McManus, 1955 University of Georgia star . . . Auburn players in the Blue-Gray football game will be Guard Ernest Danjean, Quarterback Howell Tubbs, Guard Chuck Maxime, and End Jerry Elliott . . . Danjean will also play in the Senior Bowl.

Auburn lost one of the finest football announcers in the nation after the 1956 season, when Dan Daniel moved to Washington, D. C., as sports director of WTOP-TV. He will call the University of Maryland games next fall. Replacing Daniel in 1957 will be 28-year-old Tom Hamlin from WMAN of Mansfield, Ohio . . . Daniel will really be confused in 1958 with the word "we"—since Maryland has signed a contract to play the Tigers in Auburn on October 25.

Basketball Forward Rex Frederick's younger brother, Max, signed a football scholarship with Mississippi State . . . Tackle Cleve Wester, a 230-pounder, reports that his father weighs only 135 pounds . . . Best bets of 1956 football freshmen helping the 1957 varsity are Tackle Leon Myers, Halfback Lamar Rawson, End Jimmy Putman, and Quarterbacks Bryant Harvard and Johnny Kern . . . MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.